Amendments to the Specification

On page 10, please amend the paragraph at lines 10-18 by replacing it with the following replacement paragraph:

Techniques relevant to tamper-resistance are well known to those skilled in the art of security. These techniques include methods for resisting tampering (such as appropriate encapsulation of the trusted device), methods for detecting tampering (such as detection of out of specification voltages, X-rays, or loss of physical integrity in the trusted device casing), and methods of eliminating data when tampering is detected. ~~Further discussion of appropriate techniques can be found at http://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/~mgk25/tamper.html.~~ It will be appreciated that, although tamper-proofing is a most desirable feature of the present invention, it does not enter into the normal operation of the invention and, as such, is beyond the scope of the present invention and will not be described in any detail herein.

Please replace the Abstract with the following, in which the two paragraphs have been collapsed together and extraneous matter deleted:

A computer system is adapted to restrict operations on data. The computer system comprises a computer platform having a secure operator for checking whether a user of the platform is licensed to perform a requested operation on the data and for enabling use of the data; a portable trusted module containing a user identity, wherein a trusted module is a component adapted to behave in an expected manner and resistant to unauthorized external modification; and ~~and~~ an access profile specifying license permissions of users with respect to the data. Advantageously the computer platform contains a platform trusted module, which engages in mutual authentication with the portable trusted module and which contains the secure operator. The secure operator is adapted to check the access profile to determine whether a requested operation is licensed for the user identity contained

in the portable trusted module. The secure operator prevents the requested operation if a license is required and not present.

~~Figure 20~~